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THE CONSTITUTION

Should be Ratified by the
People of Arizona by
Big Majority Vote

SELF GOVERNMENT NEEDED

If People of the State of Arizona
Are to Control Their
Own Affairs

Since the people of Arizona are soon to adopt or reject the proposed constitution for the State of Arizona, it would seem to be the duty of at least every voter to consider carefully and seriously on which side of this vitally important question he should stand, and how far and firmly he will hold out for his convictions. We are to enact a supreme State law, not only for ourselves, but for the generations that may succeed us here.

It may be said that by means of direct legislation this fundamental act may and probably will be frequently and radically changed. But it must be remembered that no radical change can be made in its frame while the federal constitution remains what it is, and that the latter document has easily withstood many and all attempts at radical change for nearly a century and a quarter. The reason for all this is tersely given in our Declaration of Independence: "All experience hath shown that mankind are more disposed to suffer while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed."

In the late campaign for the election of delegates, we were oracularly advised as to the only kind of constitution that the powers that be would accept. But the same powers having required us to adopt and present to them a constitution for Arizona, and we believe that this called for our free choice, limited only by the federal constitution, and firmly believing that the principle of self-government, to this extent, is our birthright, the admonitions of the political seers were generally unheeded, and men were sent to the convention with plain and full instructions as to the only kind of constitution that the vast majority in Arizona would accept.

If now the same voters become satisfied before the ratification election that the proposed bill is substantially what they ordered, they will probably insist on its approval with the same degree of firmness and success that the Missourians showed in 1821 and that the Californians displayed in 1850.

Self-government has been the guiding and inspiring principle in our history from the first settlements to the present. The prospect of its enjoyment brought the Pilgrims to the bleak shores of New England. It induced the patriot leaders to win their independence, and it moved the heroes of the Alamo and of San Jacinto. Arizona of today will not be found rampant or untroubled of this great heritage.

CAR LOAD OF MACHINES

The Safford Lumber Co. received this week a car load of White Sewing Machines. The machines were placed in the store room on E Street, between Ninth and Tenth streets.

Advertisements in THE GUARDIAN.

SMITH APPOINTED

Clerk of the District Court,
in Place of W. R. Chambers, Resigned

Announcement has been made of the appointment of R. W. Smith, of Thatcher, to the position of Clerk of the District Court of Graham county.

Mr. Smith will take up his duties as clerk on January 29th, the date set for the resignation of Mr. Chambers to go into effect.

Mr. Smith is one of the best known young men in the Gila valley, and has always taken an active interest in Republican politics, and was backed for the position by the Republican organization of Graham county.

As the position had to go to a Republican, we know of no one of that political faith in the county better qualified to hold the position, and THE GUARDIAN extends its congratulations to Mr. Smith in securing the position.

CHRISTMAS SERENADES

The Valley Bands will Unite
for the Occasion

Monday morning, December 26th, the Christensen Brass Band, the L. D. S. Academy Band and the Safford Band will meet in front of the county hospital at 8:30 a. m., and will serenade the inmates of that institution, after which the three bands will proceed through the business section of town, playing at Campbell's corner, THE GUARDIAN, Justice of Peace corner, Bank corner, depot, McGowan's corner, Foster's corner, Dr. Warner's, Bob Morris', Westerman's, Fonda's corner, Bell's corner, Steel's corner, Sowell's, Jno. W. Morris and Walker's and return to school house; John West's, Church corner, down to Welker and Olney's corner; return along Relation street, down Beebe lane, eat dinner and then serenade residences along Thatcher road. Visit through Thatcher and finish up at Lorenzo Watson's place in Centre. January 2nd, commence at Pima, on through Matthews to Eden; thence return up north side of the river and home again.

LAYTON CONCERT

An Enjoyable Affair—A Presentation to Prof. Clayton

The benefit concert given by the organizations of Layton ward, at the Layton church, Wednesday evening, was a very enjoyable affair. A program of music and recitations was successfully given, each organization being represented.

During the evening, Bishop Welker made a report on expenditures for the church, after which, on behalf of the people of Layton, he presented to William Moore Clayton, a handsome music cabinet, in recognition of his very valuable services to the church and its different organizations.

Mr. Clayton was taken completely by surprise and in accepting the present stated that in the future, as in the past, he would continue to give his best efforts to help in the successful work of the church and its organizations.

Finest assortment of Christmas Goods, at Solomon Commercial Co. 42-It

FOR RENT—A seven-room adobe two-story house, either furnished or unfurnished. J. M. FOSTER. 43-It

GOV. SLOAN'S REPORT

Year Has Been Prosperous
in Anticipation of
Statehood

SAYS STATE GOVERNMENT

May Be Reached During Fiscal
Year and Great Benefits
Will Result

In his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior, Governor Sloan on the subject of Statehood, says:

"We anticipate such benefits from admission that the prospect of any considerable delay or the possibility that the constitution may not be approved are matters of grave concern to the people of the Territory."

Prosperity continues in the Territory, according to reports. Crops have been good, especially in the irrigated sections. Prices for farm products, he said, have a tendency to increase, while the prices of land and under ditches with water rights also have increased somewhat.

The output of the mines of the Territory, including copper, gold, silver, lead and zinc for the year 1909, amounted to the gross value of \$42,946,745, a substantial increase over the preceding year.

Governor Sloan recommends that congress be requested to make provision for the contingency which may arise on admission of the Territory extending beyond the present fiscal year, by authorizing the levy of taxes for the payment of expenses of the Territorial government for the fiscal years 1912 and 1913 and authorizing such appropriations as may be needed for that purpose.

Under the terms of the enabling act, no session of the Territorial legislature may be held in 1911.

CHURCH SERVICES

Christmas Exercises Will Be
Held in Layton Church

Next Sunday's session of the Sunday School will be devoted to commemorating the birth of the Saviour. Miss Agnes Layton and Miss Ruby Martin will recite. The superintendent, Wm. Moore Clayton, Mrs. Goya Jacobson, Mrs. A. J. Perkins and several other officers and teachers have special parts to render.

At 2:00 p. m. sacramental meeting will be held and special exercises in commemoration of the birthday of Joseph Smith will be given.

There will be special music for this occasion.

At 7:00 p. m., the Young Men's and Young Ladies' Association will render a special Christmas program, consisting of music and literary work.

Everybody is invited to come and partake of the spirit of these meetings. Layton people are anxious for an opportunity to do good.

ST. JOSEPH STAKE NEWS

Program Arranged for New
Year's Services

The program committee of the Sunday School of St. Joseph Stake, has arranged the following program for Sunday, January 1, 1911 (New Year's Day):

- 9:30 a. m. Prayer meeting.
- 1—Excuses and roll call.
- 2—Singing. Song to be used that day in Sunday School.
- 3—Prayer.
- 4—Sacramental gem.
- 5—Singing—One verse of "practise song."
- 6—Concert Recitation.
- 7—Instructions from superintendent.

The committee earnestly desires that all Sunday Schools begin the new year by holding the 9:30 prayer meetings. This program should occupy no more than fifteen minutes.

Now is the time to place orders for trees. We have 15,000 assorted peach and a corresponding number of other fruit and ornamental trees. Write for catalog. SMITH'S NURSERY, Safford. 28-It

Advertisements in THE GUARDIAN.

TERRITORIAL NEWS

Items of Interest Gathered
by the Arizona Development
Board

A new lumber mill at Flagstaff is now ready.

Arizona mines yielded last year a total of \$42,496,746.19.

Arizona death rate is lower than death rate for the entire country.

Poultry show for Pima county will be held at Tucson, December 16th and 17th.

Work on the Territorial highway, Phoenix to Yuma, will commence within a month.

Three thousand five hundred head of cattle were in a recent single shipment from Tucson.

Arizona will receive \$51,220.38 as revenue from national forests for year ending June last.

Sweet potatoes from Gila Valley have been shipped direct to the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York.

Census returns give Cochise county a population of 34,591, an increase of 273.9 per cent in ten years.

Douglas Chamber of Commerce and Mines reports increasing farming operations in Sulphur Springs Valley.

A very considerable increase in postal receipts for the Territory of Arizona is noted in the returns recently issued.

The Arizona Development Board, an association to work for all Arizona, was organized in Phoenix November 10th.

Prescott people have decided to organize a board of trade. Yavapai county officials will co-operate with the organization.

Bisbee Board of Trade is making an active campaign for members and is considering plans to organize on a broader basis.

Increasing travel and railroad business between Arizona and New Mexico is noted at Tucson, through which point all connections are made.

Reports of oil discoveries in Graham county are attracting considerable attention to that section. Many thousand acres have been located.

Business men of Phoenix to make trip over section of Territory in train called "The Rose Special." Roses will be worn for badges and for decoration of train.

Arizona products are being exhibited at the United States Land & Irrigation Exposition at Chicago. Forty-five varieties of products grown on ranches in Arizona are on view.

The Copper Queen smelter, at Douglas, will spend \$300,000 in extensions and will increase number of employees 15 per cent. This will make the Copper Queen the most complete smelter in the world.

Arizona Territorial Fair most successful ever held. World's records were broken in several racing events. Copa de Oro paced mile in 1:59; Lady Maud paced mile in 2:02 flat, world's race record for a mare.

If your engine doesn't run right, see L. G. Haby. Satisfaction guaranteed. P. O. Box 328. 43-It

Alex. Alexander, of Indian Hot Springs, was a visitor in town Tuesday.

Prize dance at Pima, Wednesday, December 28th. Prize \$7.50.

Joseph B. Stetson left for Globe Saturday afternoon on a business trip.

FOR SALE—Gasoline engine and jack. Inquire of Weaver Bros. 44-2t

Mrs. Link arrived here Tuesday evening from Los Angeles, Cal., and will visit her son, C. W. B. Link.

Mrs. E. R. Mayse left Wednesday morning for Gadsden, Ala., where she was called by the illness of her mother.

Rev. Edouard Albouy, pastor of the Roman Catholic church at Solomonsville, was a visitor in town Saturday.

Postmistress Mashbir announces that the price of the large postage boxes has been reduced from \$1.00 to 75 cents.

REBELS WIN BATTLE

Defeat Federal Troops in Engagement at Mal Paso, Mexico

DIAZ FACES REVOLUTION

Insurrectos Now Have Over
2,000 Fighting Men in
the Field

CHIHUAHUA, Dec. 21.—(Delayed in transmission.)—Amplified advices change but little today's telegraphic report of the cutting up of a government troop train at Mal Paso Sunday.

The official report of twenty-one federalists killed, ten missing and forty-two wounded stands, with the addition of thirty slightly wounded, bringing the total of wounded to seventy-two, has arrived here. The injuries of these thirty added are not serious and it is not customary to carry them on the hospital lists.

The defeat of the troop train with three field pieces and 550 men increases the tension here. On top of a drawn battle at Cerro Prieto ten days ago this is taken as confirmation of the declaration that President Diaz for the first time during his long tenure of office, confronts a real revolution.

The official reports now double the former estimate of the number of insurrectionists in the field. They are now placed at 2,000 men.

Conservative Americans who have held all along that the government had a job on its hands, but would triumph eventually by the force of numbers were talking in a different strain tonight.

The discussion now runs mostly as to how long General Navarro with the main force of federalists can hold out. It is reported that his force is surrounded in the vicinity of Pedernales. This story comes from Americans who came in with the hospital train from Bustillos. Food has grown scarce with Navarro and his ammunition supply is depleted.

Details of the fight at Mal Paso show the federal troops to have fought bravely for five hours after being entrapped, but their efforts to board the train again to retreat is described as so disorderly as to be almost panicky. They left their wounded on the field. These were later brought in, it is reported, by another detachment, which hurrying to aid the train, found both federalists and enemy gone.

Chiffons, Silks, Madras, the best, at Solomon Commercial Co. 43-It

CASE OF DEPRAVITY

Somewhere in this town there is an individual so depraved in his habits that he should be incarcerated behind the bars in the county jail for a long term.

During the past week several of our merchants have been dismayed at the discovery of nuisances committed on their premises by this contemptible person, who certainly comes from a very low order of the human family, with habits more of an animal than that of a human being.

It is dollars to doughnuts, that if this individual is caught, he will receive the full penalty of the law, which he richly deserves.

Mound City Paints are better. Gila Valley Furn. & Hdwr. Store.

Mrs. Jacob Weinberger, of Globe, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Solomon, at Solomonsville.

Rev. C. A. Housel left Monday morning for Wilcox, where he will spend the holidays with his family.

The Bank of Safford and the local branch of the Gila Valley Bank & Trust Co., will be closed Monday, December 26th.

Miss Henrietta Olney, who has been attending school in Los Angeles, Cal., arrived home Monday evening to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dial arrived here Wednesday evening from Oklahoma City, Okla., and will spend the holidays with Mr. Dial's mother, Mrs. Henry Dial.

Cement Sidewalks for Safford



START A BANK ACCOUNT FOR YOUR BOY'S MERRY XMAS OR YOUR OWN

CREATE OR CRUMBLE. Every man should create a foundation for success before old age crumbles his earning powers. A small savings account started today, NOW, will start you on the road to independence. The farther you travel on this road the less you will wish to turn aside.

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J. R. Weiker, Vice Pres. E. W. Clayton, Cashier
J. S. Abbott, Asst. Cashier
A. H. Ferrin, Asst. Cashier

HELD, BIG MEETING

Thatcher Organizes a Board of Trade for the Entire Gila Valley

In response to the invitation sent out by the committee on organization, the Thatcher Amusement Hall was crowded to its full capacity with people from different parts of the valley Wednesday night.

The meeting was called for the purpose of organizing a board of trade for the entire Gila valley.

Speeches were made by Andrew Kimball, J. A. Woods, W. B. Moody, W. W. Pace, Lerol C. Snow and others.

As a result of the meeting an organization was perfected under the name of the Thatcher Board of Trade, and the following officers were elected: J. L. Wilkins, president; W. B. Moody, vice-president; Lerol C. Snow, secretary; D. D. Jones, assistant secretary, and J. A. Woods, treasurer.

A constitution and by-laws were also adopted. The membership dues were placed at \$1.00 per quarter, in advance, and Treasurer Woods announced that dues were paid in amounting to \$50.00.

The organization starts out in good shape and with the purpose of working for the best interests of the people of the valley.

UNIVERSAL PEACE

Is the Goal To Be Sought by Nations Being Prepared for War

THE "WAR SCARE" IS ALLAYED

President Taft, at a Banquet, Urges Fortification of Canal for Protection

President Taft, addressing the closing banquet Saturday night, December 17th, of the American Society for Judicial Settlement of International Disputes, allayed the so-called "war scare" which has furnished a pabulum for the newspapers during the last few days.

He said: "There is not the slightest reason for such a sensation because we are at peace with all nations of the world and are quiet likely to remain so." He said that his purpose in outlining the preparedness of the United States for war, "at a peace meeting" was to show by contrast the great worthiness of the movement for a permanent court for arbitration and universal peace.

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If you have an engine I can light house with electricity. Plants fully guaranteed. Prices, \$50.00 and up. L. G. Haby, Box 328, Safford. 42-2t

Miss Margaret Long entertained a few friends at a Dutch supper Saturday evening.

Attend the dance in Pima, Wednesday, December 28th, and win the prize, \$7.50.

Mrs. Anna Corn and little son left Tuesday morning for Los Angeles, Cal., where Mrs. Corn was married Wednesday evening to C. H. Jordan, of Taft, Cal.

James O. Thorpe presented this office with a specimen of the sweet potatoes grown on his river ranch. The potatoes weighed ten pounds and was of delicious flavor.

Ernest Wickersham and L. G. Haby journeyed to Bowie Sunday on their motorcycles. Wickersham's machine broke down and he returned on the evening train. Haby returned on his machine.

The house and household effects of Bert Savage, on his ranch, three miles south of town, was completely destroyed by fire Friday afternoon. The ranch and building is owned by parties in Globe. Mr. Savage had no insurance on his furniture and suffers a complete loss.

BAND CONCERT

The Safford Band will give an open-air concert in front of the Bank of Safford, tomorrow evening.

The Safford Oil Company, which has taken up several claims in the new oil district, near Escala, shipped its well-digging machinery Monday to their property. Will commence at once to bore a well for water and will then start a well for the oil.